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the rebellion, and how the Delaware boys were frightened when they heard the cannoneading.

It is marvellous what changes that time has wrought since the bloody days of the sixties in our country. And when we look on monster vessels as the San Francisco we wonder how such little spit-fires as the Monitor could accomplish so much.

But the fleet before us was bent on peaceful mission and it is to be hoped that their guns will never be turned against one another.

They left Old Point Comfort early Monday morning amid the waving of handkerchiefs and the music of the band stationed on the ramparts of Fortress Monroe playing the national air of each country as the vessel passed out of the Roads. W. A. B.

FREIGHT BY ELECTRICITY.

Electric Railroads as Freight Carriers in Other Places.

Much of the objection to Electric Railroads by inland towns is the unreasonable supposition that they cannot be used for carrying freight.

This is an unfounded mistake which arises no doubt from the fact that in towns where the electric road is in operation there is no necessity for it hauling freight, as the steams do at those.

The Transcript man was one among the fifteen or twenty thousand persons who visited Old Point Comfort on Sunday last to view the White Squadron and its foreign visitors.

The train reached Cape Charles City about half an hour late, and there was a grand rush by the hungry passengers for the Steamer Norfolk that carried them across the bay.

Everybody was hungry and the officer of the purser was waiting by an impatient crowd waiting their turn to secure tickets and seats. It was a delightful two hours' trip on the boat, notwithstanding the dull and gloomy look taken on by the clouds.

About half way across we got our first sight of the war vessels. To the left of our course was anchored one of the Italian men-of-war having in tow one of Columbus' vessels. It was just such a ship as we had seen in our geography, and all eyes were riveted upon the Santa Maria, and as with one accord, hats went off and handkerchiefs were waved in honor of the flag ship of the Spanish explorer.

A little further on we sighted the San Francisco of the White Squadron. It was a beautiful sight. All the American vessels painted white with brown smoke stacks and air funnels; handsome bronze canon upon every side, the marines on guard, the sailors in neat and clean uniforms, and the handsome officers, making a scene long to be remembered. The squadron was lying in near shore. On their left lay the vessels of Great Britain, France, Germany and the other foreign countries.

We landed on the pier about 9:30. At this hour most of the residents of the Hygeia and the Stafford were enjoying their breakfasts and laying plans for the day, but half an hour later the scene had changed. Handsome ladies and gallant officers were beginning to come out, the launches from the men-of-war were seen darting about in the harbor, and carrying their precious freight aboard the warships, and from this hour until 8 o'clock there was a continual moving about from ship to ship, and passengers took the opportunity to see what war vessels were like from a close scrutiny.

After our visit to the ships we "took in" Fortress Monroe. The old fort is well preserved and still retains much of its old-time glory.

A beautiful view was presented from the ramparts of the fleet in the harbor. The heavy cannon of thirty years ago are still seen on the ramparts and at the loopholes, but of all the number about the fort only twenty-one are now used in the outer case mate, and the report from these when fired almost defused a person.

Fortress Monroe is now used as an artillery school, and here the men are drilled in the use of arms, etc. It is a pretty place behind the ramparts, and surely the life of the officers is one round of happiness and pleasure.

There are many relics of the war of the rebellion and other wars to be seen at the old fort, principally among which were a number of brass cannon captured from the British at the capitulation of Yorktown. The cell occupied by Jeff Davis after the fall of the Confederacy was a point of interest to many of the visitors.

After leaving Fortress Monroe we took one of the electric cars and rode to the National Soldiers' Home at Hampton. The first point of interest to attract our attention here was the cemetery in which repose the remains of sixteen thousand soldiers, the best years of whose lives were given to the Union. They are laid in long planches, and at the head of each, a plain little marble slab bearing the name of the soldier his company and regiment marks his last resting place.

After a brief view of this great army of departed heroes, we strolled through the avenues of the home where more than a thousand battle-scarred veterans are awaiting the final roll call. There were many tents scattered about the grounds and several new buildings were in course of erection. The grounds are located on the banks of the James River, and from which on has a grand view. They are beautifully laid out in flower plots. The buildings are handsome brick structures, and with Uncle Sam took good care of his old soldiers.

About 6 o'clock while watching the passing throngs of beautiful women and handsome officers bent on enjoying the last day of the vessels stay in Hampton Roads, the distant boom of cannon was heard as on that memorable day nearly thirty years ago when the Monitor and Merrimac had their little set-to in these same waters. It was the signal guns of the Brazilian fleet coming up the road, and as their towering masts hovered in sight on the horizon the big cannon of Fortres Monroe belched forth their welcome in a salute of twenty-four guns which made the earth tremble and their echo was cast back from the clouds. The vessels in the Roads also saluted the new comers through their mouthpiece—the cannon.

While loitering on the dock we met a captain of the First Delaware Volunteers who was stationed at the fort at the opening of the war. He was in a reminiscent turn of mind, and recounted the story of how the little Monitor had gained the mastery over the Merrimac in those early days of

TO FOUND A SCHOLARSHIP.

The Foreign Missionary to Pay Tribute To A Dedicated Member.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has undertaken, which if successful, will perpetuate the memory of one of the noblest of God's saints. The aim is to endow a scholarship in the Girls' School at Calcutta, which shall be known as the Margaret E. Layton scholarship, by which one girl may be educated for missionary work as long as the world stands. Miss Layton was very well known to most of the readers of this paper, as she made her home and was a teacher here for several years and also in various other places through the State. All who knew her can but feel an interest in this undertaking. No more fitting tribute could be paid to the memory of one who gave her life to the work in India. The Middletown Society will contribute liberally to this work and help swell the funds the ladies will give an entertainment in the Opera House the last week in May. A fine musical programme will be given, which will be followed by a Strawberry festival. The former pupils and friends of Miss Layton will be glad of an opportunity to help in so good a work, and the Missionary Society will appreciate any aid that may be given.

HERE'S THE OPPORTUNITY.

For the Town Board to Get East Main Street Paved.

The Odessa and Middletown Railroad is now an assured fact, and there is some chance that we will yet spin along the public highway propelled by electricity, and a stronger tie of mutual friendship will spring up between the two towns.

The paving down by our old town board on West Main street has been a move in the right direction, and the town fathers should at once proceed to place East Main in an equal good condition.

This can be done now at very little expense to the town since the electric road is to occupy it, and they should be made to stand the expense of paving. Let the work be commenced before any tracks are put down. There is no reason why the entire road between Odessa and Middletown should not be treated in the same manner.

SMYRNA BOOMING.

To Put Up Electric Light Plant and Build Sewers.

Charged With Arson.

The Senate Monday passed the House bill to enable the town of Smyrna to borrow \$23,000 for the purpose of building sewers and erecting an electric light plant. An election is first to be held to ascertain the will of the people on the subject, each property owner having a vote for each \$1 of property tax paid by him. The putting such a bill through the Legislature does not carry with it the necessity of immediate or approximate early action going into the market for \$25,000 and placing the town under bond, as there is already a heavy, bonded indebtedness, but such an act as the above makes the way clear whether the "spirit moves the people" to thus provide for the health and comfort of the town.

Death Came to Her Release.

Mrs. Sarah A. Howell died at her home, early Saturday morning, aged 76 years.

After a long and painful illness of months and years, death furnished a welcome release for the patient sufferer. Mrs. Howell had lived in Middletown since early life, and was widely known; her gentle manner friends. Her life was that of a consistent, loyal Christian, and a devoted wife and mother. Five children survive her, three daughters and two sons, all of whom reside in Middletown with the exception of one son, John, who lives in the far South. Her funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon, from her late residence on West Main street. Her pastor Rev. F. H. Moore officiated, assisted by Rev. N. M. Brown. The interment was at Forest cemetery.

Delaware's Oddities.

Delaware has a curious collection of odd sunrises. There is a family of Colts in Kent county. The Peppers and Mustards have live neighbors in Sussex, and there are Peaches in New Castle county, inauspiciously settled north of the pebble belt.

One man named his three sons for the several counties of the State, and Delaware is an occasional Christian name. A girl whose name was Leonora Missouri Cannon provided from a stranger a prompt declaration that the name was a capital offense.

Cure for Mad Dog Bite.

Here is a receipt for the bite of a mad dog, taken from the Universal Magazine of Knowledge, published by John Hinton at the King's Arms in Newgate street, London, May, 1753. "Take the youngest shoots of the elder tree, off the outside rind; then, scraping off the green rind, take two handfuls of it, which simmer a quarter of an hour in five pints of ale, strain it off, and, when cold, put it in bottles. Take half a pint, take warm the first thing in the morning and the last thing at night, and be sure to keep yourself warm; also bathe the part affected with some of the liquor warmed. The dose to be repeated the next new or full moon after the first. It is good for cattle as well as for human species."

Another Old Resident Gone.

Horatio Gates Lloyd, formerly a prominent farmer of this neighborhood, died at his residence near Camden, N. J., on Monday. Mr. Lloyd had many friends here who have the greatest sympathy for his family in their bereavement. He was a man of very reserved manners, but those whose privilege it was to know him well, found in him the trust and most appropriate of friends. A loving wife and four devoted children survive him. His funeral took place on Thursday from his late residence. He was 83 years old.

Conference Academy Trustees.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Conference Academy at Dover on Monday, Prof. W. L. Gooding, the principal, offered his resignation which was not accepted. His reason for resigning was that the heavy work was more than he felt able to bear.

The trustees decided to employ him at a fixed salary, and assume the financial burden themselves, realizing that they could ill afford to lose Prof. Gooding who has so faithfully and acceptably served the school in the past.

Bid Government Contract.

The Klemensi Woolen Mill Company, of Newark, Del., have received a contract from the United States Government for blankets for the amount of \$30,000. These blankets will be used by the United States Army in the Western States."

The company has its mills at Klemensi I. Stanton and Newark. The Klemensi I. mills have the largest capacity. State Senator John Pilling is the president of the company.

Illustrated Concerts.

Prof. G. L. Surwick will give his illustrated concert at the Opera House on Friday and Tuesday evenings, May 8 and 9. These entertainments are of a high order, and with attractions will furnish a very fine exhibition of stereoscopic views, the finest ever seen in Middletown. Prof. Surwick has been secured by the members of the Presbyterian Church, in whose interest the entertainments are given.

Delaware City Wins Him.

Rev. Lewis W. Gibson, rector of Christ Church, Dover, who so recently had a disturbance in his congregation, has received a unanimous call to become rector of Christ Church at Delaware City. Whether Mr. Gibson has consented or not has not been ascertained.

Kent County Milk.

The prices paid per hundred for milk at the Kent county creameries for the month of March, were: Chesertown, \$1.00; Kentonville, \$1.00; Locust Grove, \$1.05; Galena and Sassafras, \$1.08; Crumpton, \$1.00; Millington, 95 cents.

Base Ball.

The League championship games began on Thursday. Our youth will compete with anxiety the rise and fall of their favorite clubs.

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PERSONALITIES

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—Dr. W. E. Barnard spent Sunday with Still Pond friends.

—Thomas Budd was a visitor at the Capital on Tuesday last.

—Mrs. M. Clandelin, of near town, visited Chestertown friends this week.

—Miss Helen Naundau returned on Monday from a visit with Wilmington friends.

—Miss Bessie Reynolds, who has been in Philadelphia for some weeks returned home on Tuesday.

—Mrs. Laura Hill, of Philadelphia, visited her sister Mrs. Frank Pierce, near town, this week.

—Joseph Denney, of the Port Penn light house, was in town on Tuesday, and made the transcript a pleasant call.

—Warren Cochran, who has just returned from a business trip South, stopped over to see his mother and sister on Wednesday.

—The fifth annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of New Castle County met at Townsend, Del. In the absence of Mrs. V. L. Culbertson, County President, Miss Margaret Hills, State President, presided.

—Attorney General Nicholson is prosecuting the case, the trial of James L. Warren for the murder of Mary Greenly, at Dover, this week has created considerable interest.

From the evidence adduced it was shown that previous to the murder which occurred on February 27, Greenly had threatened that he would kill Warren on sight. The prisoner was notified of this, and also of the fact that Greenly always carried a revolver. The day of the murder it was stated that Greenly drove out of his way and though a private lane that led by Warren's house, and that when he saw Warren, he jumped out of the buggy and started for him.

When they clinched, and Greenly had drawn his head under his arm, the latter drew a barlow knife from his pocket, and began hacking Greenly in the leg to make him let go, and not with the intention of killing him.

The knife, however, severed an artery and Greenly died from loss of blood. Warren immediately gave himself up, and was arraigned before the grand jury, which found an indictment against him for murder in the first degree.

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ODESSA.

Miss Blanche Smith, of Trenton, N.J., is the guest of Mrs. F. B. Watkins. Mrs. Sarah Polk is visiting at Melford.

Miss Peterson, of Philadelphia, is visiting friends in town.

Miss Minnie Trice, of Middletown, was the guest of Miss Mary Lightcap on Sunday.

Lee Sparks, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with E. N. Moore.

Mrs. E. S. Stevens was the guest of Philadelphia friends several days this week.

W. B. Baker, of Aberdeen, was in town this week.

John Armstrong, Jr., of Chester, Pa., was the guest of his father several days this week.

Mrs. C. F. Griffenberg is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Sylvester Townsend, of Delaware City, was the guest of his father, G. L. Townsend on Sunday.

Mr. J. H. Hofecker, of Smyrna, who has been appointed receiver for the Lord & Polk Chemical Co., has been in town this week. Work has been resumed to fulfill orders now in, after which the affairs of the company will be settled.

Death has again visited our town. This time it has bereft us of George West, aged 23 years, who departed this life on Sunday morning. George had been a sufferer from epilepsy for several years, which dread disease finally cost him his life.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in this town on the evening of April 25, at 7:30 o'clock. The contracting parties were the Rev. Frances Johnson and Miss Martha Ennis, both of this place. The church was prettily trimmed with flowers and presented a charming appearance to the crowded assemblage, for the edifice was filled to overflowing. The entire congregation vied with one another to make their pastor's wedding a pretty affair. At promptly 7:30 o'clock, the doors were thrown open and the organist, Miss Anna Henry, of St. Georges, struck the first chord of the wedding march. The bride wore Lilac cashmere trimmed with silk, and the bridesmaids, Miss Daisy Pauline Dean and Miss Dorothea Clarissa Wilson, of St. Georges, wore Lilac cashmere trimmed with lace. The groomsmen were Messrs. Charles Stuart and William Ennis, of this town. The brother of the groom, Rev. J. L. Johnson, of Seaford, Del., performed the ceremony.

The bride received many handsome and useful wedding gifts, and scores of visitors came from points down the State and Philadelphia for this occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will move directly to their new home on Second street between Washington and Clinton. A reception was held at the residence of Mr. William Ennis, the brother of the bride. Among those who were in attendance were: Mayor W. E. Reybold, Misses Emma and Julia Clark, Dr. and Mrs. Bellville, Miss Nan Sadler, Mrs. George N. Bright, Annie Cheairs, Hatie Cheairs, Misses Annie Reeves, Ethel Reybold, Mary Reybold, Jennie Clark, Alice L. Clark, Gertrude Sadler, Bertie Clark, Messrs. Thomas C. Reeves, C. Stark Clark, J. Shepard, William B. Jester, Charles W. Jefferson, S. Hartigan Clark, S. D. Townsend, John C. Clark, Courtland S. Clark and C. N. Price.

TOWNSEND TOPICS.

The W. C. T. U. Convention of New Castle County, which was held in this place on Wednesday, was a very pleasant and profitable season. Our people were delighted and all who entertained delegates thought they had the nicest ones. The only complaint was that there were not enough of them. We made ample provision for twice the number that came.

Mr. Edward Silcox, formerly of Fieldsboro, was taken ill on Saturday evening about half past seven and died at half past eleven. His funeral services were held at his home on Tuesday evening, and the remains were taken to Media, Pa., on Wednesday morning for burial.

The nine year old son of H. N. Smith died on Sunday night. He had been a great sufferer from hip disease for some time. His funeral took place on Wednesday.

William P. Reynolds has been appointed as ticket agent for this station in place of Mr. Jones, who has accepted a position at Laurel. The change will take place the first of May.

ST. GEORGE'S.

Mr. Joseph Carrow, of Jefferson Medical College, spent a few days this week with his father, J. W. Carrow.

Mr. Andrew Taylor and wife returned on Monday from a two weeks' visit with friends in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Sutton and Mrs. Poole were in Philadelphia a few days this week and saw the famous liberty bell on its way to the Columbian Exposition.

T. B. Heisel attended the reception given to Ambassador T. F. Bayard at the Bellevue, Philadelphia, on Saturday evening.

J. W. Latoumous spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Newark.

Miss Julia Paynter visited Wilmington friends on Sunday.

Alfred Hopkins of Philadelphia, is spending a few days in town.

A large number of Odd Fellows from this town went to Wilmington Wednesday to attend the celebration of the 74th anniversary of the founding of the order of Odd Fellows in America. General John C. Underwood, past Grand Sire of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the World, lectured in the Opera House and a concert was given by the celebrated Philadelphia Quartette.

Mr. William Candus, the well-known tenor singer, of Frankfort, Germany, spent a few days last week with his sister Mrs. William Shultz. Mr. Candus had at one time an engagement for 65 consecutive weeks at one thousand dollars a week. He is now on his way to the World's Fair, but expects to return in a few weeks and will sing in the Presbyterian Church for its benefit.

Miss Jennie Fell, of Philadelphia, visited Miss Anna Shultz last week, and Mrs. Shultz and Mrs. Candus are now visiting Philadelphia.

Mr. William Stuckert was given a surprise visit on Monday evening by a number of his friends. The visit was in commemoration of his 65th birthday. Mr. Stuckert is still healthy, hearty and active and we wish him many returns of his natural day.

The lecture delivered by Rev. Louis E. Barrett on Tuesday evening was greatly enjoyed by those present. He had a very good house, although the weather was unfavorable. The title of the lecture is "Adams' Day" and has matrimony for its theme. It is evident enough that Brother Barrett thinks it is not good for man to be alone.

A town election will be held on Monday between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock for the purpose of electing three councilmen.

DELAWARE CITY.

Miss Fanny Clark left for Chicago on the 25th inst., where she will remain with her brother H. C. Clark.

Miss Elsie Davidson is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. C. Reeves has returned from quite an extended visit to her friends in Philadelphia.

A haul of 35,000 herring was made in the canal locks last Monday morning, and it is believed that as many more were left in the water. The shad have been quite scarce and still hold up at \$20 per hundred. On Monday of this week there was a big catch, but since then the fishermen have met with but little success.

The Encyclopedia for the Public School has been ordered from Dodd, Mead & Co., New York. It is the International edition of 1892. It comes in 15 volumes and costs \$4.00 per volume, making a total of \$60.00 for the set, other books will be purchased in a short while and a little library started.

This is a very liberal and wise measure on the part of the school patrons. In no manner could they invest a few hundred dollars to pay a better premium than in reference books—books of general information in concise form, to which their children may have access. After the encyclopedia has been case, an invitation is given to each person who is interested in this matter, to go and examine the books for himself.

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